

TREE TRIMMER - 2627

GENERAL DEFINITION AND CONDITIONS OF WORK:

Performs skilled technical duties in the trimming and removal of trees in support of the installation, maintenance, and repair of the electric distribution system.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to stand; walk; use hands to finger, handle, or feel; reach with hands and arms; and talk and hear. Frequently the employee is required to sit; climb or balance; stoop, kneel, crouch or crawl. The employee must climb ladders and utility poles. The employee must occasionally be able to lift and/or move up to 100 pounds. Vision requirements are close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception, and ability to focus. The worker is subject to inside and outside environmental conditions, extreme cold, extreme heat, noise, hazards, and oils.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS/TYPICAL TASKS:

Performs a variety of duties in the trimming and removal of trees in support of the installation, repair and maintenance of electric distribution equipment.

Trims and removes trees to protect city electrical lines; clears right of way for the installation of new lines; cuts limbs and operates chipper.

Climbs utility poles to repair and maintain electrical distribution equipment.

Maintains equipment, including bucket truck, saws, ropes, climbing gear, pruners, axe, and safety gear.

Places barricades and signs at job sites.

Trims and digs out protruding tree roots.

Erects banners and decorations;

Assists with a variety of emergency problems;

May be required to be on stand-by or work trouble calls;

Performs related tasks as required.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES:

Through knowledge of the equipment, materials, principles and practices used in the safe trimming and removal of trees; thorough knowledge of relevant safety procedures and guidelines; skill in the use of hydraulic saw, chain saw, weight lines and other equipment used in the pruning and removal of trees; skill in the operation of a bucket truck and digger derrick; skill in establishing priorities and organizing work; ability to perform all work as required; ability to understand and follow instructions in both oral and written form; ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with associates and the general public.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

Any combination of education and experience equivalent to graduation from high school and prior work experience in this specialized field of work.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

Possession of an appropriate CDL license valid in the State of North Carolina.

Possession of first aid and CPR certificates.